

## Practice

This section also includes time phrases used in expressing future time.

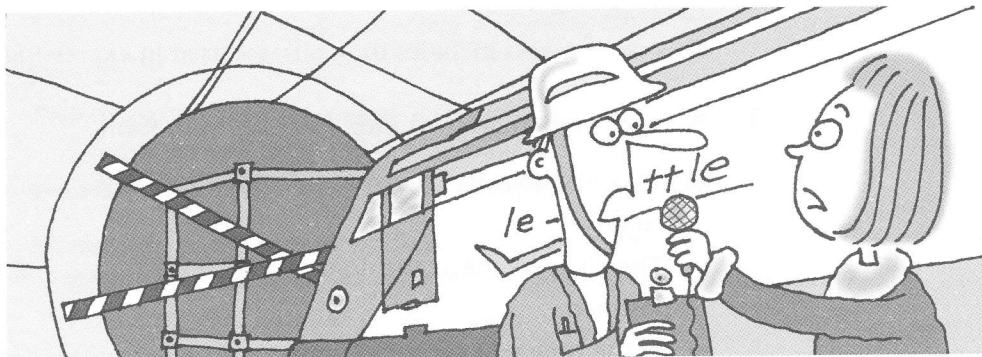
### 1 Put each verb in brackets into a suitable verb form.

- a) In twenty-four hours' time *I'll be relaxing* (I/relax) on my yacht.
- b) 'There's someone at the door.' 'That ..... (be) the postman.'
- c) By the time you get back Harry ..... (leave).
- d) It's only a short trip. I ..... (be) back in an hour.
- e) What ..... (you/do) this Saturday evening? Would you like to go out?
- f) By the end of the week we ..... (decide) what to do.
- g) It ..... (not/be) long before Doctor Smith is here.
- h) We'll go to the park when you ..... (finish) your tea.
- i) It's very hot in here. I think I ..... (faint).
- j) What ..... (you/give) Ann for her birthday? Have you decided yet?

### 2 In most lines of this text there is an extra word. Write the extra word, or put a tick if the line is correct.

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|--|---------------------|
| In August Gordon will then have been at his company for 25 years,        | 1 <i>then</i> ..... |
| and he's getting for a bonus of three weeks paid holiday. So we've       | 2 .....             |
| decided to hire a car and drive around Eastern Europe. We'll be          | 3 .....             |
| leaving towards the end of August, and our aim there is to visit as      | 4 .....             |
| many countries as we can. We're flying out to Budapest – soon we're      | 5 .....             |
| due to catch a plane on the 28th day – and then we'll be stopping over   | 6 .....             |
| at a friend's house, before starting our grand tour. We'll most probably | 7 .....             |
| spend the best part of a week in Hungary. When we've just finished       | 8 .....             |
| there, we'll probably be go to Romania, but beyond that we haven't       | 9 .....             |
| planned too much arrangements. We will know a bit more by the end        | 10 .....            |
| of this week, when we're getting a whole load of brochures from the      | 11 .....            |
| tourist board. We'd like to get to as far as Russia, but realistically I | 12 .....            |
| doubt whether we'll have time. I hope it won't be too expensive –        | 13 .....            |
| from till now on we'll really have to tighten our belts! I can't wait!   | 14 .....            |
| In just over two months' of time we'll be having the time of our lives!  | 15 .....            |

3 Choose the most appropriate continuation for each sentence.



- a) According to the latest forecast, the tunnel .....  
 A will be finished next year.    B will have been finished next year.  
 C is finishing next year.
- b) Paula's flight is bound to be late although .....  
 A it arrives at 6.00.    B it's due at 6.00.    C it's arriving at six.
- c) It's no use phoning Bob at the office, he .....  
 A will be leaving.    B is leaving.    C will have left.
- d) Everyone says that this year City .....  
 A are going to win the Cup.    B are winning the Cup.    C win the Cup.
- e) I don't feel like visiting my relatives this year so .....  
 A I won't go.    B I'm not going.    C I don't go.
- f) You can borrow this calculator, I .....  
 A am not going to need it.    B won't have been needing it.  
 C am not needing it.
- g) I'm sorry dinner isn't ready yet, but it .....  
 A is going to be ready in a minute.    B will have been ready in a minute.  
 C will be ready in a minute.
- h) Can you send me the results as soon as you .....  
 A hear anything?    B are hearing anything?    C will have heard anything?
- i) You can try asking Martin for help but .....  
 A it won't do you any good.    B it's not doing you any good.  
 C it won't be doing you any good.
- j) Don't worry about the mistake you made, nobody .....  
 A is noticing.    B will notice.    C will be noticing.

**4 Complete the second sentence so that it has a similar meaning to the first sentence, using the word given. Do not change the word given.**

- a) I don't suppose you have heard the news.

**won't**

You *won't have heard* ..... the news.

- b) The Prime Minister expects an easy victory for his party in the election.

**believes**

The Prime Minister ..... the election easily.

- c) I've been in this company for almost three years.

**will**

By the end of the month ..... in this company for three years.

- d) This book will take me two years to write.

**have**

In two years' ..... this book.

- e) Scientists are on the point of making a vital breakthrough.

**about**

Scientists are ..... a vital breakthrough.

- f) Maria is pregnant again.

**have**

Maria is ..... baby.

- g) I'll be home late.

**until**

I ..... late.

- h) No one knows what the result of the match is going to be.

**who**

No one knows ..... the match.

- i) Don't worry; David won't be late.

**here**

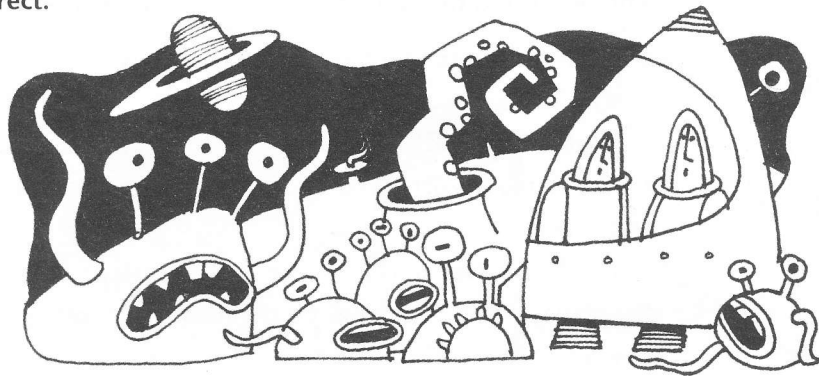
Don't worry; David ..... time.

- j) Mary and Alan's wedding is next weekend.

**getting**

Mary and Alan ..... next weekend.

- 5** Look at the three options A, B and C for each question. Decide which two are correct.



- a) We've run out of fuel. B, C  
 A What will we do now?    B What do we do now?  
 C What are we going to do now?
- b) You can't leave early, .....  
 A we're having a meeting.    B we're going to have a meeting.  
 C we will have a meeting.
- c) Oh dear, I've broken the vase. ....  
 A What will your mother say?    B What is your mother going to say?  
 C What is your mother saying?
- d) According to the weather forecast, .....  
 A it'll rain tomorrow.    B it's raining tomorrow.  
 C it's going to rain tomorrow.
- e) I'd like to call round and see you. ....  
 A What will you have done by the morning?    B What'll you be doing in the morning?  
 C What are you doing in the morning?
- f) I've got nothing to do tomorrow so .....  
 A I'll get up late.    B I am to get up late.    C I'm going to get up late.
- g) It's my eighteenth birthday next month so .....  
 A I'm on the point of having a party.    B I'm having a party.  
 C I'll be having a party.
- h) Why don't you come with us? .....  
 A It'll be a great trip.    B It's going to be a great trip.    C It's a great trip.
- i) When you get to the airport .....  
 A someone is going to be waiting for you.  
 B someone is due to wait for you.    C someone will be waiting for you.
- j) Shut up, will you! .....  
 A I'm getting really angry.    B I'm going to get really angry in a minute.  
 C I'm getting really angry in a minute.

**6** Underline the correct word or phrase in each sentence.

- a) I'll be back *after a few minutes/in a few minutes*.
- b) I'm sure that everything will be all right *at the end/in the end*.
- c) Please call me *the moment/exactly when* you hear any news.
- d) I should be back *by the time/at the time* the film begins.
- e) I'm sure Fiona will be here *before long/after a while*.
- f) I can't leave on Tuesday. I won't be ready *until then/by then*.
- g) By *twenty four hours/this time tomorrow* I'll be in Bangkok.
- h) Diana will be retiring *soon/already*.
- i) There will be no official announcements *forthwith/from now on*.
- j) Bye for now. I'll see you *in two weeks' time/two weeks later*.

**7** Complete the common expressions using the words from the box.

let   give   be   go   **see**   come   have   go   be   see

- a) I'll see ..... what I can do.
- b) I'll ..... a look and get back to you.
- c) I'll ..... it some thought.
- d) I'll ..... you know by tomorrow.
- e) I'll just ..... and get it.
- f) I'll ..... halves with you.
- g) I'll ..... to it.
- h) I'll ..... back in a minute.
- i) I'll ..... about five minutes.
- j) I'll ..... and show you.

Which expression means one of the following?

- 1) I will try and do this for you.
- 2) I'll share it with you.
- 3) I'll fix it/arrange it.

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**Grammar 5:** Consolidation  
**Grammar 8:** Conditionals  
**Grammar 11 and 12:** Modals

- 12) stop  
13) is deceiving  
14) is seeing  
15) are currently going on  
16) are experiencing  
17) realise  
18) upsets  
19) am also trying  
20) suspect
- 5 a) *looks just/exactly like*  
b) that belongs to you  
c) am really enjoying working  
d) means I take  
e) cycling group consists of  
f) you think is going to  
g) I am measuring (the width of)  
h) never remembers  
i) survival depends on its ability  
j) are you thinking about
- 6 a) –  
b) *Does this total include the new students?*  
c) are you waiting  
d) taste  
e) –  
f) –  
g) is going/is  
h) –  
i) Do you hear  
j) –
- 7 a) *trying*  
b) shooting  
c) listening  
d) talking  
e) asking  
f) coming  
g) taking  
h) making
- 1) b  
2) d  
3) e

- f) will have decided  
g) won't be  
h) finish/have finished  
i) am going to faint  
j) are you giving/are you going to give

- 2 1) *then*  
2) for  
3) ✓  
4) there  
5) soon  
6) day  
7) ✓  
8) just  
9) be  
10) arrangements  
11) ✓  
12) to  
13) ✓  
14) till  
15) of

- 3 a) A f) A  
b) B g) C  
c) C h) A  
d) A i) A  
e) B j) B

- 4 a) *won't have heard*  
b) believes his party will win  
c) I will have been  
d) I will have written/finished  
e) about to make  
f) going to have another  
g) won't be home until  
h) who is going to win  
i) will be (here) on  
j) are getting married

- 5 a) B, C f) A, C  
b) A, B g) B, C  
c) A, B h) A, B  
d) A, C i) A, C  
e) B, C j) A, B

- 6 a) *in a few minutes*  
b) in the end  
c) the moment  
d) by the time f) A, C  
e) before long g) B, C  
f) by then h) A, B  
g) this time tomorrow  
h) soon j) A, B  
i) from now on  
j) in two weeks' time

## Grammar 2

- 1 a) *I'll be relaxing*  
b) will be  
c) will have left  
d) will be  
e) are you doing/are you going to do

- 7**
- a) *see*
  - b) have
  - c) give
  - d) let
  - e) go
  - f) go
  - g) see
  - h) be
  - i) be
  - j) come
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- 1) a
  - 2) f
  - 3) g